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MEDICATION AND SPECIMEN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method to manage information relating to patients in a hospital
10 environment. The system includes a plurality of information processing systems for
processing information relating to a patient in the hospital, with each of the information
processing systems being associated with a discrete hospital function. One or more portable
data terminals for receipt and transmission of information relating to the patient are further
provided. A control server is provided to communicate with each of the information
15 processing systems and the portable data terminals, for transfer of information relating to the
patient between the information processing systems and the portable data terminal. As such,
the portable data terminal is capable of periodic communication with the control server for
intermittent interfacing with the information processing systems for receiving information
relating to the patient from the information processing systems through the control server,
20 and for transferring data relating to the patient from the portable data terminal to the
information processing systems through the control server.

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